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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Official Action of October 2, 2009, and the requirement for restriction presented in it, applicants elect the subject matter of Group I, that is claims 40-64 and 70-74, directed to a process for disrupting a filter cake.

In response to the election of species, applicants elect the species, a.i.(1), namely the use of a polymer breaker as an additive species when that polymer breaker is a hydrolyzing enzyme. Claims 40-53, 56-64 and 70-74 read on the elected species.

An examination on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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